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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY AND  
METHODS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF  
NON-INFECTIVE BLOOD PRODUCTS  
AND TISSUE DERIVED PRODUCTS.

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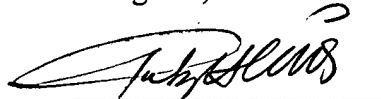
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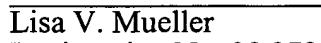
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